(c) An eligible project must be adequately justified to qualify for PFC funding.

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# § 158.17 Project eligibility at PFC levels of \$4 or \$4.50.

- (a) A project for any airport is eligible for PFC funding at levels of \$4 or \$4.50 if—
- (1) The project meets the eligibility requirements of § 158.15;
- (2) The project costs requested for collection at \$4 or \$4.50 cannot be paid for from funds reasonably expected to be available for the programs referred to in 49 U.S.C. 48103; and
- (3) In the case of a surface transportation or terminal project, the public agency has made adequate provision for financing the airside needs of the airport, including runways, taxiways, aprons, and aircraft gates.
- (b) In addition, a project for a medium or large airport is only eligible for PFC funding at levels of \$4 or \$4.50 if the project will make a significant contribution to improving air safety and security, increasing competition among air carriers, reducing current or anticipated congestion, or reducing the impact of aviation noise on people living near the airport.

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# § 158.19 Requirement for competition plans.

- (a) Beginning in fiscal year 2001, no public agency may impose a PFC with respect to a covered airport unless the public agency has submitted a written competition plan. This requirement does not apply to PFC authority approved prior to April 5, 2000.
- (b) The Administrator will review any plan submitted under paragraph (a) of this section to ensure that it meets the requirements of 49 U.S.C. 47106(f) and periodically will review its implementation to ensure that each covered airport successfully implements its plan.

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# Subpart B—Application and Approval

#### §158.21 General.

This subpart specifies the consultation and application requirements under which a public agency may obtain approval to impose a PFC and use PFC revenue on a project. This subpart also establishes the procedure for the Administrator's review and approval of applications and amendments and establishes requirements for use of excess PFC revenue.

# § 158.23 Consultation with air carriers and foreign air carriers.

- (a) Notice by public agency. Prior to submitting an application to the FAA for authority to impose a PFC under §158.25(b) and for project approval under §158.25(c), a public agency shall provide written notice to all air carriers and foreign air carriers operating at the airport except those air carriers that the public agency may choose to request not to collect PFC's as provided by §158.11. The notice shall include
- (1) Descriptions of projects being considered for funding by PFC's;
- (2) The PFC level for each project, the proposed charge effective date, the estimated charge expiration date, and the estimated total PFC revenue;
- (3) For a request by a public agency that any class or classes of carriers not be required to collect the PFC—
- (i) The designation of each such class,
- (ii) The names of the carriers belonging to each such class, to the extent the names are known,
- (iii) The estimated number of passengers enplaned annually by each such class, and
- (iv) The public agency's reasons for requesting that carriers in each such class not be required to collect the PFC; and
- (4) Except as provided in §158.25(c)(2), the date and location of a meeting at which the public agency will present such projects to air carriers and foreign air carriers operating at the airport.
- (b) *Meeting.* The meeting required by paragraph (a)(4) of this section shall be held no sooner than 30 days nor later